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To: Fresh Fruit and Vegetable/Department of Defense Program Participants

From: Kenadine L. Johnson, Purchasing Specialist
School Nutrition Programs

Subject: Start-up Memo for the 2008-09 School Year
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable (FF&V)/Department of Defense (DOD) Program

All schools that signed up for the FF&V /DOD Program last May through June will be eligible to begin purchasing fruits and vegetables for their students on September 1, 2008.

School Nutrition Programs has been allotted an extra \$45,000 to be spent by the end of September. So, all eligible schools should submit orders on August 25th for delivery the following week (first week of September). Be sure to order on Mondays for delivery the following week. Spend all that your program can use in September. All other monies available through this program will be allocated out on October 1, 2008.

At this point, Food Services of America is the FF&V/DOD Program vendor and will deliver on the same schedule as last year.

Although USDA is working on a new order program for the FF&V/DOD Program, it will not be ready for the new school year. They hope to have it in place by January 2009. All schools are instructed to use the TAP-IT ordering system that was used last year. Be sure to send or fax a copy of your invoice and your final buy report to Kennie Johnson at the Office of Public Instruction, P.O. Box 202501, Helena, MT 59620-2501 or fax it to (406) 444-2955. The DOD contact is Karen Kenton at (303) 961-1235.

Your school's YMT number, ID number and PIN number have not changed from last year. If you need a reminder of these numbers, contact Kennie Johnson at (406) 444-4412.